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This communication is responsive to the ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER, mailed on July 28, 2005. The Smook reference was firstly used in the advisory action of May 13, 2002 and referenced in the PTO Form 892 of the same date. The reference was and has only been used as an evidentiary reference, i.e., to prove to applicants that Gap Formers are Twin Wires.

In view of this, the examiner considers that no other examiner's answer is required.

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